

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Monday, May 14, 2001

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 872. *A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage; read the first time.*

McCain

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S. 873. *A bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.*

Helms

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S. 874. *A bill to require health plans to include infertility benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.*

Torricelli

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Measures Passed:

Public Safety Medal of Valor Act: Senate passed **S. 39**, to provide a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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James Guelff Body Armor Act: Senate passed **S. 166**, to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Commemorating Law Enforcement Officers: Senate agreed to **S. Res. 63**, commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

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Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act: Senate passed **H.R. 802**, to authorize the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor, clearing the measure for the President.

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Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization:

Senate resumed consideration of S. 1, to extend programs and activities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization (Cont'd.):

Adopted:

Cleland Modified Amendment No. 376 (to Amendment No. 358), to provide for school safety enhancement, including the establishment of the National Center for School and Youth Safety.

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Sessions Amendment No. 600 (to Amendment No. 358), to provide for confidential reporting of individuals suspected of imminent school violence.

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Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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Pending:

Jeffords Amendment No. 358, in the nature of a substitute.

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Biden Amendment No. 386 (to Amendment No. 358), to establish school- based partnerships between local law enforcement agencies and local school systems, by providing school resource officers who operate in and around elementary and secondary schools.

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Helms Amendment No. 574 (to Amendment No. 358), to prohibit the use of Federal funds by any State or local educational agency or school that discriminates against the Boy Scouts of America in providing equal access to school premises or facilities.

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Helms Amendment No. 648 (to Amendment No. 574), in the nature of a substitute.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the ***Kennedy (for Murray) Amendment No. 378 (to Amendment No. 358)***, at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 15, 2001, with a vote on the amendment to occur at 2:20 p.m.

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Nomination Received:

Senate received the following nomination:

Lynn Leibovitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an *Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia* for the term of fifteen years, vice Stephen G. Milliken, retired.

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Executive Communications:

EC.-1805. A communication from the White House Liaison for the Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Director of the Office for Victims of Crime, Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC.-1806. A communication from the White House Liaison for the Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Executive Communications (Cont'd):

EC.-1807. A communication from the White House Liaison for the Department of Justice, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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EC.-1808. A communication from the White House Liaison for the Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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EC.-1809. A communication from the White House Liaison for the Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, Office of Policy Development, Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Committee Meetings For Tuesday, May 15, 2001:

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 2:00 p.m. To hold hearings on the implementation of the *Paul Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Act (P.L. 106-561)*, focusing on DNA crime labs, SD-226.

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United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: @ 2:00 p.m. To hold hearings to examine the relationship between the source zone and Plan Colombia, including the current strategy and balance of transit zone operations. SR-428A.

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Committee Meetings Scheduled:

Committee on Appropriations: 5/17/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, all of the Department of Justice. SD-192

Committee on Appropriations: 5/17/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service. SD-192

Committee on the Judiciary: 5/17/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-226

Committee on the Judiciary: 5/23/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings on Department of Justice and certain Judicial nominations. SD-226

Governmental Affairs: 6/14/01 @ 9:30 a.m. Investigations Subcommittee to hold hearings to examine the nature and scope of cross border fraud, focusing on the state of binational U.S.-Canadian law enforcement coordination and cooperation and what steps can be taken to fight such crime in the future. SD-342

Committee Meetings Scheduled (Cont'd):

Governmental Affairs: 6/15/01 @ 9:30 a.m. Investigations Subcommittee to continue hearings to examine the nature and scope of cross border fraud, focusing on the state of binational U.S.-Canadian law enforcement coordination and cooperation and what steps can be taken to fight such crime in the future.

HOUSE**Bills Introduced:**

H.R. 1824. *A bill to increase the rate of pay for certain offices and positions within the executive and judicial branches of the Government, respectively, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.*

Davis

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H.R. 1825. A bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to safeguard consumers in connection with the utilization of certain debit cards; to the Committee on Financial Services.

Barrett

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POM-62. A memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of The Mariana Islands, relative to Senate Resolution No. 12-33 *memorializing the United States Congress to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, to add a new article on the Subject of Judicial Taxation*; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Executive Communication:

EC.-1903. *A letter from the Chair, United States Sentencing Commission, transmitting amendments to sentencing guidelines, policy statements, and official commentary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

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Committee Meeting:

Committee on Government Reform: On May 11, the Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on "Coordination of Criminal Justice Activities in the District of Columbia."

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Committee Meetings For Tuesday, May 15, 2001:

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 4:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Crime, oversight hearing on the "Reauthorization of the United States Department of Justice Part II-Criminal Law Components at Main Justice," 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 4:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on the "INS and the Executive Office for Immigration Review". 2237 Rayburn.

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NEW PUBLIC LAW

H.R. 256, *to extend for 11 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code*

is reenacted. Signed on May 11, 2001. (Public Law 107-8)
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Next SENATE MEETING: Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., May 15, 2001.
Next HOUSE MEETING: Tuesday, 12:30 p.m., May 15, 2001.

OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith), J. Homanich